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Chief, Mediterranean Bureau

2 December 1948

Chief, FBIS

Official Status of FBIS and American Personnel Thereof in Cyprus

1. Receipt of your memorandum dated 20 October 1948, subject as above, is acknowledged.

2. The official status of FBIS and American personnel employed by FBIS on the Island of Cyprus has been placed in the hands of the General Counsel, CIA. Specific reference has been made to the problems presented in your memorandum and the details of these problems are at present under consideration. You will be advised as soon as a determination has been reached.

3. The possibility of providing diplomatic status for FBIS personnel serving on the Island of Cyprus and in London will be explored with a view to eliminating all local restrictions for FBIS personnel. This exploration will unquestionably take some time. In the meantime it is suggested that you meet these local problems to the best of your ability.

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